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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 2909

BOATANCHORS Digest 2909

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19) Re: Boatanchor Thefts
by "Hue Miller" <kargokult@proaxis.com>
20) Fw: Historical Mackay products
by "Hue Miller" <kargokult@proaxis.com>

From: w5sum@nwla.com
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 07:18:09 -0500
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Subject: Boatanchor Thefts
Message-ID: <39360E31.25058.29DAB59@localhost>

Robert I'm really sorry to hear about your loss and you can bet I'll keep my eye open for your gear in the northwest louisiana area. I'm very active at all the local hamfests and if they turn up, I will know.

Ive had two occasion where I have been burglarized, one turned out okay and the other one did not. I had mentioned right here on this list that I would be out of town for an extended period and for everyone to hold posts to me. I came home two weeks later and had some gear missing out of a storage building, which I never recovered.

last year I had some teenagers get ahold of some of my gear during the day. I took less than one week for the police to round them up and I recovered every item, though my Valiant was damaged, had been dropped on its face. Total loss..

no one knows when I'm leaving anymore LOL

Ronnie

Message-ID: <20000601130210.25174.qmail@mellon.com>
From: Merz Donald S <merz.ds@mellon.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Boatanchor Thefts
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 08:58:00 -0400
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

This is a sad and unfortunate set of circumstances. I hope this has a happy ending.

The other part of this that amazes me is that anyone would steal BAs. They can't be sold through the normal channels--no pawnshop or "fence" would take them and they'd be instantly spotted in any classified ad listing.

The other thing that makes BAs a weird choice for a thief is that they just aren't very valuable. It takes 150 pounds or more of BAs to be worth a single kilobuck. Wouldn't a 3 pound camera or 6 pound laptop be a better target?

A BA thief has to be missing a couple volts off the filaments.

73, Don

Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 08:34:35 -0500 (CDT)
From: Bob Roehrig <broehrig@admin.aurora.edu>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
cc: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Boatanchor Thefts
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.96.1000601083056.25129E-1000000@admin.aurora.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Thu, 1 Jun 2000 w5sum@nwla.com wrote:

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It used to be a common thing for me, and others, to be on the local repeater when leaving town on vacation to see how far we could stay in touch. Talk about advertising! (The only time I have done that in later years was when I realized I had left a soldering iron plugged in on my bench and wanted to get the neighbor over there to turn it off.)

"Nostalgia is a thing of the past"
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CIS: Data / Telecom Aurora University, Aurora, IL
630-844-4898 Fax 630-844-4222
PLEASE PUT ALL REPLIES IN ASCII TEXT ONLY

Message-ID: <39365B29.50B2B583@geo-thermal.com>
Date: Thu, 01 Jun 2000 07:46:33 -0500
From: Lenox Carruth <carruth@geo-thermal.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: Command Set Items Needed
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

COMMAND SET DISPLAY NEEDED;

I am trying to put together a working Command Set display for my office to exposed the masses to radio the way it was. I started out looking for a BC-946-B and ended up with a R-24/ARC-5 and so that changed the whole plan. Now I need the following:

- 1 R-26/ARC-5 3-6 Mc Receiver
- 2 C-24/ARC-5 Local Controls

Thanks for the help.

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Lenox

Lenox Carruth Dallas, TX carruth@geo-thermal.com
Collector of WW-II Communications Equipment and Memorabilia

Wanted: TBX-8 Antenna, Key, Canvas Case, Accessory Box

Message-ID: <39366273.A7D7CC1D@geo-thermal.com>
Date: Thu, 01 Jun 2000 08:17:39 -0500
From: Lenox Carruth <carruth@geo-thermal.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Memorial Day
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

For several years, some of us here in Dallas have been setting up a display at Restland Cemetery for their annual Memorial Day events. They have a large event which includes speeches by congressmen, senators, etc. They also had an excellent missing man formation by F-16s and a salute fired by howitzers.

This year, our display included a TCS, TBX, TBY, BC-611s, BC-221, BC-72,

EE-8s, several jeeps with SCR-610s and Browning M2 HBs along with much small stuff. Our theme this year was radios of the Navajo Code Talkers. Thus the TBX and TBY. Robert Downs was kind enough to lend me his TBX antenna since I have yet to find one.

The highlight of the event was the operation of the TCS. We had four guys of WW-II vintage that operated CW with the TBX. None of them could send without sidetone so that started the day with our first problem. After thinking about it, we beat the BC-221 against the transmitter frequency for sidetone. That led to the second problem - one which kept us from making contacts until near the end of the day.

We would zero beat a station, give them a call and then listen for a reply. After an hour-and-a-half of no replies, we finally figured out that radiation from the BC-221 was covering up any incoming signals. Duh! Radio operating then became a two man operation. One would operate the TCS and the other would switch the BC-221 to standby during receive periods. Worked fine after that. Our most distant contact was in Illinois from Dallas on 30 Meters. Not too bad for a TCS with a 20 foot vertical and a short rod driven into the ground! Must have been a lot like coast watchers operating in the Pacific during the war. We ran the TCS from 12-Volt boat batteries. We got about an hour-and-a-half operating out of each battery. Next year, we may feature the coast watchers.

The old timers enjoyed the TCS and the kids enjoyed talking on the EE-8s and cranking the TBX generator. I would like to find a cheap hand crank generator for use next year as I am not too fond of using a rare item to entertain kids! It always surprises us that kids, even teenagers who probably have their own cell phone, get such a kick out of talking on the EE-8s. There must be some primordial instinct to use a magneto phone!

We also discovered that the sound of CW coming from the TCS speaker got a lot of attention. We are contemplating building a solid-state amplifier next year so we can amplify the audio from the TCS. That should get a lot of interest.

Several other TCS operators had wanted to contact us. I think that the problem with the BC-221 radiation caused us to miss many good contacts. I apologize to any of you who tried. We now know a lot more than we did before about operating a TCS out in the middle of a field. Next year, I promise we will do better. We are working on using a keyer to solve the sidetone problem and I will try to post a specific frequency to the collector lists before hand.

Those who participated were Tom Aschenbrenner, Kevin Perry, Mike Biddler, Jerry Dehoney, Andy Carruth, and our radio operators Jack Floyd

W5DXR, Barney Moffatt W5CJZ, Bob Olney N5NT and Jack McElwain W5SVZ. To them I owe the success of the entire operation. Many thanks.

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Lenox

Lenox Carruth Dallas, TX carruth@geo-thermal.com
Collector of WW-II Communications Equipment and Memorabilia

Wanted: TBX-8 Antenna, Key, Canvas Case, Accessory Box

Message-ID: <20000601144811.23463.qmail@web1605.mail.yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 07:48:11 -0700 (PDT)
From: Fred Bohner <fbohner@rocketmail.com>
Subject: Boatanchor meeting, Sunday June 4th at the Manassas,VA Hamfest
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hello BA'ers,

A Boatanchor meeting will be held at 10:00AM
at the Food building (look for a sign with BA)
at the Manassas, Virginia Hamfest.
Come meet your fellow BA list members, tell
us what you did bought, or what you have seen
or just talk and rest a minute.

Info for the hamfest is Sunday June 4,2000 at
the Prince William County Fairgrounds which is
half mile south of the town of Manassas,Va on
Route 234, gate opening is listed at 7:00AM.
more info can be found at
<http://www.qsl.net/olevahams>

See you there,

Fred B

Do You Yahoo!?
Send instant messages & get email alerts with Yahoo! Messenger.
<http://im.yahoo.com/>

Message-ID: <39367BF3.7D5B2C0@ix.netcom.com>
Date: Thu, 01 Jun 2000 11:06:27 -0400
From: Morry <morry@ix.netcom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RE: 8AMP Chokes Free
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hve new 8 amp Signal Chokes. Free fer the shipping. (HEAVY!!!).
Wat don't go w1 go to the dump. Must get rid of some "stuff"
Best 73 Morry K3DPJ

Message-Id: <200006011615.e51GF0420449@jackatak.theporch.com>
From: listtown@jackatak.theporch.com (Mail List Owner)
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: ADMINISTRIVIA: Buying and Selling Guidelines
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 11:15:00 CDT

Gang-

This periodic posting is intended as a gentle nudge and suggestion which should improve the quality of posts to the BoatAnchors list, and maintain our excellent (and high) signal to noise ratio...

The list culture has developed to include "for sale" and "wanted" posts. Originally, all buying and selling traffic was focused on finding parts to complete a restoration. As the list has evolved, there has been an increase in buying and selling activity, which may not be all bad.

There is, however, a real need to observe certain conventions, lest this otherwise benign activity turn into a real disturbance to the real purpose of the list: discussions of radio equipment using vacuum tubes, including the life and times of the designers and users of such gear.

Please observe these guidelines:

There is never a reason for an auction post or update on the Boatanchors List... comments about gear at auction elsewhere are noise, and those who would care already visit the auction sites, and those who do not frequent the auctions do not want to hear about it... simple policy

- 1) LIMIT the frequency of for sale postings... once a month is a good starting point
- 2) DO NOT post endless "xxx is sold" to the entire list... you offered it for sale, and it is not considerate of list resources (which include the time and energy of the other list members) to burden the list with these senseless notices. Use direct email to those who responded, or, if you don't want to answer them personally, just don't use the list to advertise them for sale!
- 3) AVOID even the mere faint appearance that you are posting items for sale as a regular adjunct to your business dealings. This has become more of a problem lately with some long lists showing up regularly on the main list, or with dealers who appear to be using the list for their personal advertising advantage. Failure to observe these basics *will* result in banishment from the list -- just don't do it! When even a shadow of doubt creeps in, read the "Welcome" message again... it spells it out!
- 4) DO be considerate of those on the list in your for sale or wanted postings. Keep them short, infrequent, and ONLY include items specifically appropriate to the list -- NO solid state gear is obvious, but try to avoid pushing the envelope in any area.
- 5) LONG lists and estate offerings should be sent to me at:
listown@jackatak.theporch.com
so they may be uploaded to the archives for email, web, or ftp retrieval.
- 6) We now have a web page up. Go to:
<http://www.theporch.com>
and follow the "ListProc Web Interface" Link to get registered and use the web interface, which allows searching of previous articles and the archived text files.

Thanks for your understanding and help in making the boatanchors list have the highest signal to noise on the InterNet.

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73

Jack, W4KH/Mobile - - - BoatAnchor Mailing List Owner - - -
listown@jackatak.theporch.com - "Plus ca change, plus c'est la meme chose"
"Il n'y a que les idiots qui ne changent jamais d'idee"
Thu Jun 1 11:15:00 CDT 2000

Message-Id: <4.2.0.58.20000601111912.00badaf0@eimac.cpii.com>
Date: Thu, 01 Jun 2000 11:23:27 -0700
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Paul Thekan <Paul.Thekan@eimac.cpii.com>

Subject: FREE TTY paper
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I have available many rolls of TTY paper. It is free to whom ever can come and pick it up. I am located in Redwood City Calif , 25 miles south of San Francisco.

Thanks
Paul
N6FEG

Date: Thu, 01 Jun 2000 14:31:58 -0400 (EDT)
From: MODSTEPH@ACS.EKU.EDU
Subject: HQ-170 FS short-time
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <01JQ3B92GZ1E006TGB@ACS.EKU.EDU>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: TEXT/PLAIN; CHARSET=US-ASCII

Gang,

Got an extra HQ-170, nice physical condition, good manual copy, tubes tested, works (used it as other half of the Knight 50 Watt xmtr QSO's for testing both out - successfully). It seems a little deaf on higher frequencies (above 20 mtrs) and I rather think a good alignment will help cure that - otherwise working well.

I am taking it with me tomorrow to Springfield, Illinois, and the SVRC Hamfest at the fairgrounds on Saturday... but would not mind dropping it off along the way to a BA member who had \$150 cash to lay out for it.

No shipping - but I'm coming either along I-64 Lexington, KY to Louisville to Evansville, IN, to Mt. Vernon, IL, to about exit 20 or so in Illinois (intersection Ill Rte 4, where go north to pick up I-55) and thence to Springfield.

OR - I can go Lexington to Cincinnati I-75, angle up to Indianapolis, and from thence west to Danville, IL; Champaign, Ill; Decatur - Springfield on whatever that interstate is.

If you are along that way, want the HQ-170 and manual copy (did I mention the working clock?) for what I am asking, contact me and we can arrange to meet along the way - either way - and make the exchange. I leave tomorrow, 2 June, hoping to be out

of here (Richmond, KY) by nlt 1000 EDT. Wife, daughter and dog will be glad to see all those radios disappear from the living room... but the HQ-170 is the prime piece. Let me know...

73, Al N5AIT
modsteph@acs.eku.edu

Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 14:55:28 -0400 (EDT)
Message-Id: <200006011855.e51ItSX32230@ecunet.org>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: 1955 HAM RADIO STATION AS MOVIE STAR
From: JOHN.SEHRING@ecunet.org

To: boatanchors@theporch.com

So, what ever happened with this?

> Date: Fri, 19 May 2000 19:53:36 -0400
> From: "John Dilks, K2TQN" <oldradio@worldnet.att.net>
> Subject: Info needed for a 1955 Ham Radio station for a Movie
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> Hi Gang,
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> a movie, Here's our chance to help. Please answer directly to
> Mary. moviestarstudio@mindspring.com
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> And you Georgia boys - maybe you can get one of your radios in the
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-John Sehring (Thu, Jun 1, 2000, Ipswich SD) UCC WB0EQ

Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 14:55:29 -0400 (EDT)
Message-Id: <200006011855.e51ItTN28524@ecunet.org>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: SS RECTIFIER REPLACEMENT QUESTION
From: JOHN.SEHRING@ecunet.org

>From Cordover SS Modules, Inc. paper (looks like from early 60s):

To use their "S-5U4" ss replacement rectifier which appears to contain only 2 diodes (no string), at least in what may be a stylized schematic of the thing. Maybe someone can infer facts of that from the data below.

Max ratings 225 mA/section, 1550 v PIV, 1.1 A pk recurring current, AC anode supply, per section, full wave CT ct, 550 V, max forward voltage drop @ 400 mA DC = 6 v, max inverse current @1550 V (leakage) 2.5 uA.

Sez has impedance of >10 ohms.

Sez to insert resistor in series w/center tap of pwr xfmr:

When replacing	Series R	Sugg Wattage
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5AS4	21	25
5AU4	30	10
5AW4	153	5
5T4	150	10
5U4G	170	10
5U4GB	21	25
5V4GA	100	5
5V4G	100	5
5W4	50	1
5W4GTG	50	1
5Y3	50	2
5Y3GT	50	2
5Z4	50	2

Note: There's a large diff between 5U4G & 5U4GB, the envelope's different, does this fully explain it? There's no diff between 5V4G & 5V4GA nor 5Y3's.

And of course, ck Barry's note upstream re: Schade analysis of vacuum diodes. Some of the Schade curves show up in some ARRL Handbooks, e.g. 1983 & 1984.

-John Sehring (Thu, Jun 1, 2000, Ipswich SD) UCC WB0EQ

Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 14:55:30 -0400 (EDT)
Message-Id: <200006011855.e51ItU123588@ecunet.org>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BA X-RAY MACHINE SIGHTING
From: JOHN.SEHRING@ecunet.org

To: boatanchors@theporch.com

The local library in this very rural area has a BA x-ray machine in its basement.

>From looks I'd say it's late 20s - early 30s. Vy dusty but complete. I'm wondering what they should do with it. Been there a very long time. Library built about 80 years ago.

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I have a few, all working BA o'scopes in shack, e.g. 2@ Dumont 304's, HP 130B.

I use 'em for lf apps like hooked to AF & IF of HF rx's to look at modulation depth & recovered audio; one on Fisher BA FM tuner as multipath detector & another to Motorola 10m FM rx's for same.

Fun to work on, learned lots about cts, lots of room, reliable, nice heaters in winter--remember, about 90% of filament energy goes off as heat (like light bulbs, right?).

That doesn't include my home brew (not by me) 455 kHz sprectrum analyzer, C.E. MM-2 modulation/rx monitor or Waterman "Pocketscope."

Ya can keep yer flat panel displays!

-John Sehring (Thu, Jun 1, 2000, Ipswich SD) UCC WB0EQ

From: n6nae@ix.netcom.com
Date: Thu, 01 Jun 2000 15:07:06 -0400
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RE: Frequency (movie)
Message-ID: <Springmail.105.959886426.0.59082100@www.springmail.com>

I haven't seen it, but I read a review in an engineering magazine!
Comments from the reviewer (paraphrased): "Rig is a Heathkit, running without a cover. No self-respecting ham would do that and radiate QRM/TVI. The tubes light up much too bright. The director must have ordered special effects to crank up the voltage to get a better look. No calls used, suggesting unlicensed operation. Tsk."

Wow, first movie review I've ever seen that talked about tube glow. I still don't know if the movie is any good though.
Richard

From: thompson@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <009001bfcfbfe\$065db740\$74785240@default>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: 1955 HAM RADIO STATION AS MOVIE STAR
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 15:17:26 -0400

I think several of us replied. Mary sent me back a reply. I proposed the AT-1 and AR-3 which she can find around Atlanta. She also wanted to find a kit (any kit) to show being built in a scene. I gave her some leads and her prop dept are onto them. She has not asked me for any further help.
Dave K4JRB

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From: "ROBERT W. DOWNS" <RWDowns_WA5CAB@compuserve.com>
Subject: Memorial Day
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: "Aschenbrenner, Tom, WA9EXS" <tom@aschen.com>,
"Stover, Jerry, W5AE" <w5ae@home.com>, "Perry, Kevin" <perrykw@ch.etn.com>,
"Dehoney, Jerry" <JDehoney@netbsa.org>, "Biddler, Mike" <mikeb@cowtown.net>,
"Boatanchors List, To post a message" <boatanchors@sco.theporch.com>,
"Starks, Dennis" <military-radio-guy@juno.com>,
"Norvell, Ken, W5KN" <102645.3627@compuserve.com>
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Message text written by Lenox Carruth

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phone! =

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Sounds like an interesting and worthwhile day was had by all, inspite of the sidetone problems. I had intended to crank up my TCS-14 and see whether I could raise you, but as most of you know, early Monday I had an=

unpleasant surprise that kinda ruined Memorial Day for me. I have a GN-58-A-Gy (Telefunken) that I'll donate for the kids to crank on. As lo=ng as they don't read the contract number, you can tell them that it was captured or something. :-)

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What about the CMX-50128 Interphone Amplifier? They have a 12 volt dynamotor, and hook up with standard remote cables I think (have to confi=rm that). They'll run four or five remotes as I recall (can't look at mine =as they are over in the storage building [or at least I hope they still are]=).

73,
Robert Downs
WA5CAB
Houston

Message-ID: <20000601203355.7696.qmail@web3206.mail.yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 13:33:55 -0700 (PDT)
From: michael watts <wy6k@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Frequency (movie)
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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The movie is good. And they didn't do all that bad a job of projecting ham radio to the masses.

Mike

--- n6nae@ix.netcom.com wrote:

> I haven't seen it, but I read a review in an
> engineering magazine!

> Comments from the reviewer (paraphrased): "Rig is a

> Heathkit, running without a cover. No
> self-respecting ham would do that and
> radiate QRM/TVI. The tubes light up much too
> bright. The director
> must have ordered special effects to crank up the
> voltage to get a
> better look. No calls used, suggesting unlicensed
> operation. Tsk."
>
> Wow, first movie review I've ever seen that talked
> about tube glow. I still don't know if the movie is
> any good though.
> Richard
>

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From: "Hue Miller" <kargokult@proaxis.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Boatanchor Thefts
Date: Thu, 1 Jun 2000 14:05:44 -0700
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From: Merz Donald S <merz.ds@mellon.com>

|The other part of this that amazes me is that anyone would steal BAs. They
|can't be sold through the normal channels--no pawnshop or "fence" would
take

|them and they'd be instantly spotted in any classified ad listing.

|

|The other thing that makes BAs a weird choice for a thief is that they just
|aren't very valuable. It takes 150 pounds or more of BAs to be worth a
|single kilobuck. Wouldn't a 3 pound camera or 6 pound laptop be a better
|target?

--Well, that probably points to the thief not

being a professional, who needs a constant income from plundering. A crime like this done on whim, with cash apparently not the major interest, points to probably someone with militaria interests, someone in the late high school thru about 40 years of age.

Years ago, i had a ARC-2 and an RS-6 transmitter stolen. Why would burglars take an ARC-2? Maybe they thot it was some kinda oscilloscope or powerful CB, and nothing better was in the storage unit. I'm sure it ended up in a dumpster in short order.

I think i've burglar proofed my storage, altho my solution may not work for you: It's compressed to the gills, and up front is a solid wall of boxes of parts, stacks of power transformers, and boxes of heavy electronics magazines. Not eye-appealing unless you're the kind who likes stacks of power transformers and such.

Hue

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From: "Hue Miller" <kargokult@proaxis.com>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: Fw: Historical Mackay products

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From: Pratt, Ben L <ben.pratt@mackaycomm.com>

|Dear Hue: I am glad to hear that you are trying to attract others to the interesting hobby of radio.

[re: my interest in display/ operation of radio classics]

You're right, we didn't burn the material [manuals i inquired about]

|however, we did sell that part of the company a few years ago to Thomson CSF of Paris France. Last I heard, Thomson

moved the manufacturing to one of their UK manufacturing sites.
I am sorry but that is all I can offer you at this time. I will look
around here and ask people if by chance they have some of this
material.

|Best regards, Ben Pratt

|-----Original Message-----

"From: Hue Miller

.....Can you please, please, help me find a schematic or
manual for these 2 sets, Mackay 403A and 423A ? These
are big yellow lifeboat radios, with built in handcrank power
generators. I can't believe Mackay would have burned all the
historical material. "

And so - the hunt goes on. Now to the U.K. Where to begin?
- H. M.

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